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This case was suspended in paper number 23, mailed 4/24/96 and resuspended by paper number 26, mailed 12/9/96. Both letters of suspension erroneously indicated all claims to be allowable. However, there were at that time non-elected claims still pending in the case, which claims have not been examined and have not been determined to be allowable.

5 Therefore, the suspension is **withdrawn** to allow entry of the following Examiner's amendment, cancelling the non-elected claims.

Examiner's Amendment

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or 10 additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Gary Parker on 12/19/97.

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The application has been amended as follows: Non-elected claims 1-9, 29-31 and 34-41 have been cancelled.

Suspension of Prosecution:

20 All claims are allowable. However, due to a potential interference, *ex parte* prosecution is SUSPENDED.

Advisory Information:

25 Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the Examiner should be directed to Lorraine M. Spector, whose telephone number is (703) 308-1793. Dr. Spector can normally be reached Monday through Friday, 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

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supervisor, Dr. Stephen Walsh, can be reached at (703)308-2957.

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